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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Sonnier et al  
Attorney Docket No. 503472.000009  
Serial No.: 10/060,022  
Filing Date: January 28, 2002  
Group Art Unit: 1616  
Examiner Name: Badio  
Title: **PROCESS OF EXTRACTING AND PURIFYING PHYTOSTEROLS AND  
PHYTOSTANOLS FROM TALL OIL PITCH**

STATUS INQUIRY

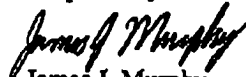
Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
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Dear Sir:

On February 15, 2007, Applicant filed a Transmittal Form, a Power of Attorney to Prosecute Application Before the USPTO and a Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73(b). These documents were filed via facsimile to (571) 273-8300 and we received a Auto-Reply Facsimile Transmission. Please be advised that to this date we have not received any document from the Office that would indicate that the documents have been accepted. I am enclosing the documents previously filed for your convenience and also enclosing the Auto Reply Facsimile as evidence of filing.

Applicant respectfully requests a status update on the subject application.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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